

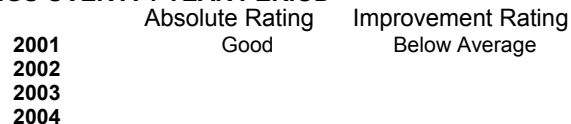
**ABSOLUTE RATING:** Good

**IMPROVEMENT RATING:** Below Average

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 79.

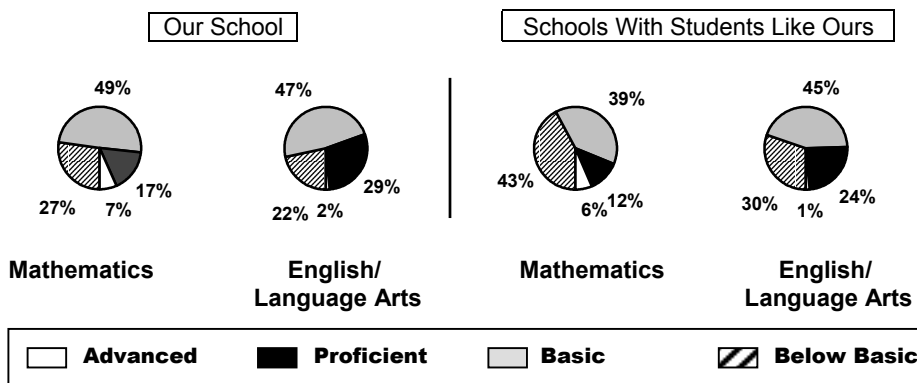
The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to good. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

## RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD



(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

## PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



## DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
Student Group	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies
<b>All students (n=194)</b>	78.4	72.7	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than Speech (n=22)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=170)	80	72.5		
<b>Gender</b>				
Male (n=100)	78	78		
Female (n=92)	80.4	67.7		
<b>Ethnic Group</b>				
African American (n=41)	65.9	54.8		
Hispanic (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=148)	83.1	79.6		
Other (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
<b>Lunch Status Group</b>				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=142)	78.9	72		
Pay for lunch (n=50)	80	76		

## SCHOOL PROFILE

### INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

SCHOOL	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
• Dollars spent per student	\$5,590	N/A	\$5,470	\$5,347
• Prime instructional time	90.3%	Up from 88.1%	89.8%	90.2%
• Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	18 to 1	N/A	18.4 to 1	18.7 to 1
<b>STUDENTS (n=389)</b>				
• Attendance Rate	96.6%	Up from 95.4%	96%	96.2%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	12.5%	N/A	6.2%	4.1%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level	13.5%	N/A	5.4%	3.1%
• First graders who attended full day kindergarten	100%	Up from 95.2%	96.7%	96.3%
• Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	3%	Down from 3.4%	4.4%	3.6%
<b>TEACHERS (n=26)</b>				
• Professional Development days per teacher	9.8 Days	Up from 6.1	7.5 Days	7.6 days
• Attendance Rate	94.5%	Up from 93.3%	95.1%	95.1%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	42.3%	Up from 38.5%	42.1%	47.7%
• Continuing contract teachers	88.5%	No change	80.6%	83.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	Down from 3.8%	0%	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	89.5%	Down from 93.2%	86.2%	87.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$37,719	Up 0.5%	\$36,163	\$37,520

## SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	63%	N/A	65.2%	65.3%
• Principal's years at the school	1	N/A	4	4.0
• Parents attending conferences	100%	N/A	96.1%	95.6%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
<b>STUDENTS</b>				
• On academic plans	53.3%	Up from 20.7%	52.3%	43.1%
• On academic probation	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Older than usual for grade	0.8%	Up from 0%	1.7%	1.1%
• Suspended or expelled	9	N/A	3	1
• Gifted and talented	12.1%	Up from 7.7%	7.6%	11.5%
• With disabilities other than speech	10.7%	Up from 7.2%	9.4%	8.4%



## PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

This has been a wonderful year at Pee Dee Elementary School. Our students have done well academically and artistically. They were involved in community activities and many specialized learning opportunities. Some of the learning activities included:

- Fine Arts Day with professional artists, musicians and storytellers;
- Career Day with a DARE officer., a race car driver, fire and rescue workers, construction workers, electric company workers, a martial arts instructor, a pilot, and an optometrist;
- After School Extended Day instruction in Math and ELA;
- Duke University Summer Achievement program for 24 students;
- Lt. Governor's Writing Award contest, won by Shavokiea Lencia Funnnye;
- Weekly Family Reading Night and Preschool Story Hour;
- Reading Recovery program that served 13 at-risk first graders who are now reading at average and above average levels,
- Spanish instruction as a part of the curriculum for all students,
- Student participation in the Accelerated Reader program, where students earned over 10,500 AR points.

Our entire school has worked hard this year. All of our teachers participated in staff development activities focusing on literacy and numeracy strategies to improve student achievement. Kindergarten, first, second and third grade teachers, our guidance counselor, curriculum coach and the principal participated in Second Step training, a violence prevention curriculum that teaches students how to deal with conflict. Several teachers visited other schools to observe the implementation of the literacy and numeracy models to gain additional strategies for effective teaching. The principal and six teachers participated in the South Carolina Reading Initiative. Carol Sambroak, a fourth grade teacher, was selected as our Teacher of the Year.

The Pee Dee Elementary community is excited about a new school facility to be constructed off Highway 134. We are extremely proud of our School Improvement Council and PTA and the support our school received this year. We will work closely with SIC and PTA in an effort to meet the challenges of raising student achievement, developing ways to increase parental involvement, and improving student attendance.

Linda Bell, Principal

### EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	100.0	85.2	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	92.9	83.0	
Satisfied with home-school relations	92.9	94.3	

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

**Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Pee Dee Elementary  
3521 Juniper Bay Road  
Conway, SC 29527

Grades K-5 Elementary School

Enrollment: 389 Students

### Principal

Linda Bell 843-397-2579

### Superintendent

Dr. Gerrita Postlewait 843 488-6717

### Board Chair

Helen M. Smith 843-236-3333

## THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School  
Report Card

2001

School Grade:  
Good

### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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